

Oklahoma Wing



Oklahoma Wing Supports State, Federal Agencies

■ With nearly 800 members available to assist the state of Oklahoma, the National Guard, the Federal Emergency Management Agency and state and local emergency managers, the Oklahoma Wing remains a cost-effective force multiplier for these emergency service providers.

The wing provided invaluable support by generating damage assessment photographs when heavy rains caused widespread flooding throughout the state, particularly in the Arkansas River watershed. The nearly 10,000 images aircrews provided allowed emergency managers to anticipate where resources and evacuations would be needed.

In June nearly one-third of the wing's members provided support for the Star Spangled Salute Air & Space Show at Tinker Air Force Base. Tasks performed included flight line support, aerial imagery of traffic flow and

parking, and marshaling of autograph lines for the U.S. Navy Blue Angels. A highlight was the presentation of the Gen. Carl A. Spaatz Award — CAP's top cadet honor, achieved by less than one-half of 1% of all cadets - to Cadet Col. Bethany Wilson of the Tulsa-based Starbase Composite Squadron by U.S. Air Force Col. Kenyon Bell, 72nd Air Base Wing commander.

The wing achieved a "ready" designation — the highest possible rating — from CAP-U.S. Air Force (CAP-USAF) during the biennial Air Force evaluation of the wing's ability to respond to Air Force-assigned missions. Several mission staff members, including a cadet, were singled out for recognition of duty performance during the evaluation.

Members of numerous squadrons were active in providing support for community activities promoting

aviation. Many units wrapped up the year by participating in the annual Wreaths Across America observation, honoring Oklahoma veterans by laying wreaths on their graves.

Oklahoma Wing cadets gather in front of the Blue Angels jets at Tinker Air Force Base's Star-Spangled Salute Air & Space Show.

Oklahoma Wing 2019 STATISTICS

Volunteer Members

450 adult members 377 cadets 95 aircrew personnel 539 emergency responders

Squadrons

16 locations statewide

Aircraft

9 single engine

Vehicles

18 vehicles

Interoperable Communications

13 VHF/FM repeaters 194 VHF/FM stations 29 HF stations

Missions

3 search and rescue missions 3 finds*

* Includes finds credited with national team support

2 disaster relief missions
10 CAP, AFROTC & AFJROTC cadet
orientation flight missions
6 other Air Force support missions
39 training missions
2 other state support missions
10 other missions in support of partner
agencies and organizations or local
municipalities

Significant Events Supported in Fiscal Year 2019

Spring Storm Damage Assessment; ADA BN CTE

Cadet Flying

556 CAP, AFROTC & AFJROTC cadet orientation flights

Total Hours Flown 1.626

Financial

\$43,002 in state funding \$2,353,030 value of wing's volunteer hours

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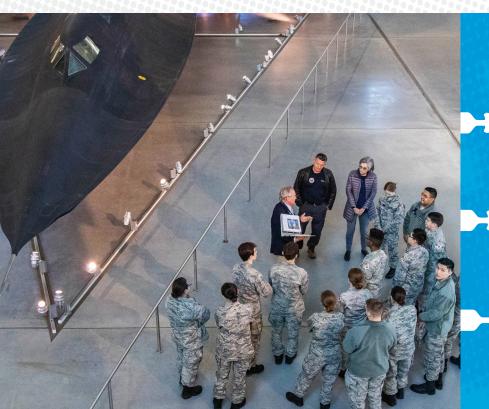
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INTERESTING FACTS

Includes the only unit in CAP authorized to re-enact the Tomb of the Unknowns ceremony every Memorial Day weekend.

Has gained a seat with
Oklahoma Emergency
Management and annually
flies hundreds of hours for
disaster relief.

Biennially provides support to the Star-Spangled Salute Air & Space Show at Tinker Air Force Base.